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SUBJECT: ADVANCING STANDARDIZATION IN NATO

REF: A. STATE 200959 DTG 222356Z AUG 75

B. USNATO 4556 DTG 281026Z AUG 75

C. USNATO 4755 DTG 281815Z AUG 75

D. AMEMBASSY ROME 12490 DTG 291700Z AUG 75

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH WASHINGTON INSTRUCTIOS (REF A), WE HAVE
THUS FAR CONDUCTED PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS ON STANDARDIZATION
WITH SYG LUNS, AMB PECK(UK) AND AMB KRAPP(FRG) (REFS B AND C).

AMEMBASSY ROME HAS SUGGESTED NEED FOR US TO EXPAND EARLY STAND-
ARDIZATION CONSULTATIONS AT NATO HQ TO INCLUDE INTALY (REF D).

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT DEPUTY SYG PANSA, WHO IS ITALIAN, WAS
FULLY BRIEFED ON THE INITIAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN SYG LUNS AND
AMB BRUCE, AND, THEREFORE, KNOWS OF OUR INTENTIONS TO CONSULT
WITH THE UK, FRG AND FRANCE. WE THINK WE CAN ASSUME THAT PANSA
HAS INFORMED ITALIAN DELETATION ABOUT THESE US INTNETIONS.

3. TO PRECLUDE POSSIBLE AFFRONT TO ITALIAN SENSITIVITIES ABOUT
"INNER CIRCLE," WASHINGTON MAY WISH TO CONSIDER PRELIMINARY
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CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN AMB. CATALANO (ITALY) AND AMB. BRUCE ALONG
THE LINES OF THOSE PREVIOUSLY CONDUCTED WITH UK AND FRG.

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